(e) if so, the details thereof and in how many cases this has been flouted?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI VINOD KHANNA): (a) and (b) No.

(c) to (e) There has been no instance in recent years of Indian ambassadors being charged on these grounds. The Central Civil Services (Conduct) Rules apply to all Government servants including Indian diplomats posted abroad, and all infringements of such rules are dealt with strictly in accordance with these rules. The Ministry remains vigilant to and takes strict action, as stipulated under the Central Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, against any officer who flouts codes of conduct for our diplomats posted abroad.

EU's opinion on cross-border terrorism

2400. PROF. M. SANKARALINGAM: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a view that European Union has refused to explicity mention Pakistan's cross-border terrorism in the joint statement at the end of the PM's visit to Cyprus, Denmark and U.K. in October last year;

(b) If so, whether India would sent or take other diplomatic measu. to change their views; and

(c) If so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH): (a) The European Union has been fully supportive of India's concerns on terrorism, including cross border terrorism. The Joint Press Statement of the Third India-EU Summit held on 10th October 2002 in Copenhagen reiterated the determination of India and EU to combat terrorism and emphasized that there could be no justification for terrorism, and that those who perpetrate and sponsor it will be brought to justice.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.